

**Workforce System/ Community Collaboration**

- 1) What barriers to partnerships between FBCOs and One-Stops have you identified (cultural, technical, etc)? What actions have you taken to address and remove barriers to partnerships with FBCO between WIBs and One-Stops?
- 2) What actions have you taken to ensure sub-grantees are collaborating with one another?
- 3) What other community resources are you helping grantees to connect with in order to address community needs?
- 4) What barriers to employment have the sub-grantees and One-Stop system been able to remove/ effect by working together (education level, lack of clothing, transportation, childcare together) for participants in programs?

**Programmatic and Technical Assistance**

- 1) What programmatic and technical assistance have you provided sub-grantees? What are your goals and measures for assessing the success of the programmatic assistance? Compare your achievements with your goals for delivering technical and programmatic assistance to sub-grantees up to this point.
- 2) How has your organization worked with the sub-grantees to help them create strategic plans and achieve measurable goals over the course of the year?
- 3) What tracking mechanisms do your organization and the sub-grantees have that can verify the data that is being reported? What has your organization done to help the sub-grantees establish the appropriate tracking mechanisms in place?
- 4) What have you done to ensure that your faith-based grantees are educated about the information outlined in **Guidance for Faith-Based and Community Organizations on Partnering with the Federal Government** and the **Legal Rules that Apply to Faith-Based Organizations**?
- 5) What technical assistance do you request from the Department in the coming quarter? (Last two quarters only: How are you implementing a plan for sustainability beyond the grant period?)

**Legal Rules That Apply to Faith-Based Organizations That Receive Government Funds**

The government is prohibited from directly funding religious activity. When subgranted, these grants may not be used for religious instruction, worship, prayer, proselytizing or other inherently religious practices. Neutral, secular criteria that neither favor nor disfavor religion must be employed in the selection of grant and sub-grant recipients. In addition, under the WIA and DOL regulations implementing the Workforce Investment Act, a recipient may not train a participant in religious activities, or permit participants to construct, operate, or maintain any part of a facility that is primarily used or devoted to religious instruction or worship. Under WIA, "no individual shall be excluded from participation in, denied the benefits of, subjected to discrimination under, or denied employment in the administration of or in connection with, any such program or activity because of race, color, religion, sex (except as otherwise permitted under Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972), national origin, age, disability, or political affiliation or belief."

*Guidance for Faith-Based and Community Organizations on Partnering with the Federal Government* is available with this document and at [www.fbc.gov](http://www.fbc.gov).

**DEPARTMENT OF LABOR****Employment Standards Administration****Proposed Collection; Comment Request**

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Labor, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, conducts a preclearance consultation program to provide the general public and Federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing collections of

information in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA95) [44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)]. This program helps to ensure that requested data can be provided in the desired format, reporting burden (time and financial resources) is minimized, collection instruments are clearly understood, and the impact of collection requirements on respondents can be properly assessed. Currently, the Employment Standards Administration is soliciting comments concerning the proposed collection: Employer's First Report of Injury or Occupational Disease (LS-202), Physician's Report of Impairment of Vision (LS-205) and Employer's Supplementary Report of Accident or Occupational Illness (LS-210). A copy of the proposed information collection request can be obtained by contacting the office listed below in the ADDRESSES section of this Notice.

**DATES:** Written comments must be submitted to the office listed in the addresses section below on or before June 7, 2004.

**ADDRESSES:** Ms. Hazel M. Bell, U.S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Ave., NW., Room S-3201, Washington, DC 20210, telephone (202) 693-0418, fax (202) 693-1451, E-mail [bell.hazel@dol.gov](mailto:bell.hazel@dol.gov). Please use only one method of transmission for comments (mail, fax, or Email).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**

**I. Background**

The Longshore and Harbor Workers' Compensation Act provides benefits to workers injured in maritime employment on the navigable waters of the United States and adjoining area customarily used by an employee in loading, unloading, repairing, or building a vessel. The LS-202 is used by employers initially to report injuries that have occurred which are covered under the Longshore Act and its related statutes. The LS-210 is used to report additional periods of lost time from work. The LS-205 is a medical report based on a comprehensive examination of visual impairment. This information collection is currently approved for use through October 31, 2004.

**II. Review Focus**

The Department of Labor is particularly interested in comments which:

- Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;
- Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- Enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and

- Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submissions of responses.

**III. Current Actions**

The Department of Labor seeks the extension of approval of this information collection in order to ensure that employers are complying with the reporting requirements of the Act and to ensure that injured claimants receive all compensation benefits to which they are entitled.

*Type of Review:* Extension.

*Agency:* Employment Standards Administration.

*Title:* Employer's First Report of Injury or Occupational Disease (LS-202); Physician's Report on Impairment of Vision (LS-205); Employer's Supplementary Report of Accident or Occupational Illness (LS-210).

*OMB Number:* 1215-0031.

*Agency Number:* LS-202, LS-205, LS-210.

*Affected Public:* Individuals or households; Business or other for-profit, Not-for-profit institutions.

*Total Respondents:* 21,060.

*Total Annual responses:* 23,220.

| Form         | Total respondents: | Average time per response | Burden hours |
|--------------|--------------------|---------------------------|--------------|
| LS-202 ..... | 21,000             | 15 minutes .....          | 5,250        |
| LS-205 ..... | 60                 | 45 minutes .....          | 45           |
| LS-210 ..... | 2,160              | 15 minutes .....          | 540          |
| Total .....  | 23,220             | .....                     | 5,835        |

*Estimated Total Burden Hours:* 5,835.

*Frequency:* On occasion.

*Total Burden Cost (capital/startup):* \$0.

*Total Burden Cost (operating/maintenance):* \$10,333.00.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for Office of Management and Budget approval of the information collection request; they will also become a matter of public record.

Dated: April 1, 2004.

**Sue Blumenthal,**

*Acting Chief, Branch of Management Review and Internal Control, Division of Financial Management, Office of Management, Administration and Planning, Employment Standards Administration.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF LABOR**

**Occupational Safety and Health Administration**

[Docket No. ICR 1218-0207(2004)]

**Welding, Cutting and Brazing Standard; Extension of the Office of Management and Budget's (OMB) Approval of Information Collection (Paperwork) Requirements**

**AGENCY:** Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA), Labor.

**ACTION:** Request for comment.

**SUMMARY:** OSHA solicits comments concerning its proposal to extend OMB approval of the Information Collection requirement contained in the Welding, Cutting and Brazing Standard (29 CFR